

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly replace the claims of record with the following full set of claims:

1. (Currently amended) A method for determining access to an electronic media object from one of a local or remote source, comprising the steps of:

analyzing at least one of audio and image information associated with said electronic media object;

preventing access to said electronic media object if said electronic media object contains sufficient inappropriate content items to exceed a known threshold; ~~said inappropriate content being~~ of at least one predefined inappropriate content item, wherein said inappropriate content item is selected from visual items, said visual items being determined by including evaluation of facial expressions to determine content items selected from the group consisting of: anger, fear disgust, sadness, surprise and intensity of expression ~~or determined dynamically;~~ and

allowing access to said electronic media object if said electronic media object contains at least one predefined appropriate content item;

wherein said access is allowed at least based on recognizing at least one person included in said predefined appropriate content.

2. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of:
storing a user profile indicating the Internet browsing privileges of said user.

3. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 2, wherein said user profile indicates categories of content that said user may access.

4. (Previously presented) The method of claim 2, further comprising the step of:
comparing said electronic media object to said Internet browsing privileges of said user.

5. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of:
performing speech recognition on said electronic media object to
determine if said electronic media object includes one or more predefined stop words.

6. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of:
performing image processing on said electronic media object to determine
if said electronic media object includes nudity.

7. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein said nudity is determined by
identifying human skin.

8. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of:
performing image processing on said electronic media object to determine
if said electronic media object includes sexually explicit images.

9. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of:
performing image processing on said electronic media object to determine
if said electronic media object includes violent images.

10. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said electronic media
object is obtained from a network connection.

11. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said electronic media
object is generated in real-time by a camera.

12. (Currently amended) A system for determining access to an electronic media object, comprising:

- a memory for storing computer readable code; and
- a processor operatively coupled to said memory, said processor configured to:
analyze at least one of audio and image information associated with said electronic media object;

- prevent access to said electronic media object if said electronic media object contains sufficient inappropriate content items to exceed a known threshold; ~~said inappropriate content being of at least one predefined inappropriate content item, wherein said inappropriate content item is selected visual items, said visual items being determined by including evaluation of facial expressions to determine content items selected from the group consisting of: anger, fear disgust, sadness, surprise and intensity of expression~~ or determined dynamically; and

- allowing access said electronic media object if said electronic media object contains at least one predefined appropriate content item;

- wherein said access is allowed at least based on recognizing at least one person included in said predefined appropriate content.

13. (Previously presented) The system of claim 12, wherein said processor is further configured to:

- store a user profile indicating the Internet browsing privileges of said user.

14. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 13, wherein said user profile indicates categories of content that said user may access.

15. (Previously presented) The system of claim 13, wherein said processor is further configured to:

- compare said electronic media object to said Internet browsing privileges of said user.

16. (Previously presented) The system of claim 12, wherein said processor is further configured to:

perform speech recognition on said electronic media object to determine if said electronic media object includes one or more predefined stop words.

17. (Previously presented) The system of claim 12, wherein said processor is further configured to:

perform image processing on said electronic media object to determine if said electronic media object includes nudity.

18. (Original) The system of claim 17, wherein said nudity is determined by identifying human skin.

19. (Previously presented) The system of claim 12, wherein said processor is further configured to:

perform image processing on said electronic media object to determine if said electronic media object includes sexually explicit images.

20. (Previously presented) The system of claim 12, wherein said processor is further configured to:

perform image processing on said electronic media object to determine if said electronic media object includes violent images.

21. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 12, wherein said electronic media object is obtained from a network connection.

22. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 12, wherein said electronic media object is generated in real-time by a camera.

23. (Currently amended) An article of manufacture for preventing access to an electronic media object from one of a remote or local source, comprising:

a computer readable medium having computer readable code means embodied thereon, said computer readable program code means comprising:

a step to analyze at least one of audio and image information associated with said electronic media object;

a step to prevent accessing said electronic media object if said electronic media object contains sufficient inappropriate content items to exceed a known threshold, ~~said inappropriate content being~~ of at least one predefined inappropriate content item, wherein said inappropriate content item is selected from visual items, said visual items being determined by including evaluation of facial expressions to determine content items selected from the group consisting of: anger, fear disgust, sadness, surprise and intensity of expression; or determined dynamically and

a step to allow access said electronic media object if said electronic media object contains at least one predefined appropriate content item;

wherein said access is allowed at least based on recognizing at least one person included in said appropriate content.

24. (Currently amended) A system for preventing access to an electronic media object, comprising:

means for analyzing at least one of audio and image information associated with said electronic media object; and

means for preventing a user from accessing said electronic media object if said analyzing step determines that said electronic media object contains sufficient inappropriate content items to exceed a known threshold, ~~said inappropriate content being~~ of at least one predefined inappropriate content item, wherein said inappropriate content item is selected from visual items, said visual items being determined by including evaluation of facial expressions to determine content items selected from the group consisting of: anger, fear disgust, sadness, surprise and intensity of expression or determined dynamically; and

means for allowing said user to access said electronic media object if said means for analyzing determine that said electronic media object contains at least one predefined appropriate content item;

wherein said means for analyzing allow said access at least based on recognizing at least one person included in said predefined appropriate content.

25. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said at least one person includes at least one actor who appears in regular programming.

26. (Previously presented) The system of claim 12, wherein said at least person includes at least one actor in regular programming.

27. (Previously presented) The article of manufacture of claim 23, wherein said at least person includes at least one actor in regular programming.

28. (Currently amended) The system of ~~manufacture~~ of claim 24, wherein said at least person includes at least one actor in regular programming.